CLAIM AMENDMENT

1. - 11. (previously cancelled)

12. (currently amended) A method for updating a_profiles of a user in a data communications network comprising a number of entities, among them a profile storage that stores the profiles and for each profile a list of all on-line entities of the user that store at least a portion of the user's profile, the method comprising the steps of:

  - following an update ing of at least one portion of the user's profile on-in an entity of the user, ; sending-receiving, in the profile storage, at least the updated portion of the user's profile from the entity to-the profile storage;

  - storing at least the updated portion of the user's profile by the profile storage;

  - retrieving by the profile storage the-a list of all on-line entities that store the profile; and

  - sending at least the updated portion of the user's profile to each entity on the retrieved list.

13. (currently amended) The method for updating a_profiles of claim 12 further comprising the steps of:

  - sending receiving, in the profile storage, from an-a further user's entity that has gone on-line to-the profile storage, a request for modifications done to at least one further portion of the user's profiles stored by the further entity-stores; and

  - sending from the profile storage to the further entity that has gone on-line at least the requested portion of the user's profiles.

14. (amended twice) A profile storage in a data communications network comprising an entity of a user that has updated a user's profile, the profile storage being capable of:

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- storing a plurality of the user's profiles and, for each profile, a list of on-line entities that store the profile;

- receiving at least one the updated portion of the user's profile from the entity;

- storing at least the updated portion of the user's profile;

- retrieving the list of on-line entities that store the user's profile; and

- sending at least the updated portion of the user's profile to each entity on the retrieved list.

15. (amended twice) The profile storage of claim 14 being further capable of:

- receiving a request from a further entity of the user that has gone on-line for modifications done to at least a portion of the user's profiles the further entity stores; and

- sending s to the further entity that has gone on-line at least the requested portion of the user's profiles.

16. (cancelled).

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